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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraphs starting on these lines as follow:

Page 3, line 8:

5. An optical member in which an adhesive layer disposed on an uttermost <u>outermost</u> surface of an optical material is provisionally bonded to and covered with a separator having a <u>an</u> outer surface roughness Ra of at least 0.03 μm.

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7. The optical member in the above-mentioned 5, wherein the optical material comprises has a polarizing plate.

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Further, an optical member according to the present invention is constructed in such a manner that an adhesive layer disposed on an uttermost outermost surface of an optical material, particularly one side thereof, is provisionally bonded to and covered with a separator whose outer surface has a surface roughness Ra of at least 0.03 µm and, in accordance with the needs, the other surface side of the optical material is bonded to and covered with a protective film. An example thereof is shown in Fig. 2, where a protective film 1, a polarizing plate 2 serving as an optical material, an adhesive layer 3, and a separator 4 are shown. The reference numeral 4a designates an outer surface of the separator.

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Examples of the aforesaid polarizing plate include a polarizing film obtained by allowing a



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dichroic substance such as iodine or a dye to be adsorbed onto a hydrophilic polymer film such as a polyvinyl alcohol series film, partially formalized polyvinyl alcohol series film, ethylene/vinyl acetate copolymer series partially saponified film, or cellulose series film and stretching the film; or a polyene oriented film such as a dehydrated product of polyvinyl alcohol or a dehydrochlorinated product of polyvinyl chloride. The polarizing plate may have a transeparent transparent protective layer onto

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one or both surface of the polarizing film.

The adhesive substance or adhesive agent forming the adhesive layer to be disposed on the protective base or the adhesive layer to be left on the optical material, is no particular not particularly limited, can used a suitable one and any suitable one can be used. An example thereof is an adhesive containing a suitable polymer such as an acryl series polymer, a silicone series polymer, polyester, polyurethane, polyamide, polyether, fluorine series polymer, or rubber series polymer, as a base polymer.